



If you have any questions about alcohol or other drugs, call:

Illinois Department of Human Services
Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

1-866-213-0548 (toll-free Voice)
1-866-843-7344 (toll-free TTY)

If you have questions about Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) programs or services please call or visit your local Family Community Resource Center (FCRC). We will answer your questions. If you do not know where your FCRC is or if you are unable to go there, you may call the automated helpline 24 hours a day at:

1-800-843-6154
1-800-447-6404 (TTY)

You may speak to a representative between:
8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday (except state holidays)

Visit our website at:
www.dhs.state.il.us



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OPIATES

Facts You Should Know About



Opiates are habit-forming drugs that dull the senses, relieve pain, and induce sleep. They may be in the form of a tar-like substance, or white or brownish powder. Three types of opiates are codeine, heroin, and morphine. Opiate pain medications like oxycodone are also included in this group of powerful narcotics.

Slang Terms:

Smack	Horse
Brown sugar	Junk
Black Tar	Dope
School boy	White stuff
Harry	Cube
Mud	Big H
Skag	Morf

Withdrawal Symptoms:

Withdrawal symptoms begin within 24 hours after the last use and may last up to 7-10 days.

Uneasiness	Yawning
Crying	Diarrhea
Abdominal cramps	Goose bumps
Runny nose	Tremors
Weight Loss	

Methods of Intake:

Injected	Smoked
Snorted	

THE HIGH:

Opiates can launch a wave of intense pleasure followed by a few hours of feelings of peace.

THE LOW:

Opiates can trigger a number of unpleasant, sometimes deadly effects.

Side Effects:

Vomiting	Cloudy thinking
Coma	Slowed motor skills
Constipation	Dilated pupils
Unconsciousness	Drowsiness
Depression of respiration	

Sources:

- <http://onhelath.com/conditions/condctr/substance/item,51699.asp> ;
- <http://www.drugfreeamerica.org> ;
- <http://www.lec.org/DrugSearch/Documents/Opiates.html>

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY LOCATOR

If you would like to know what substance abuse treatment providers are in your community, contact one of the following helplines:

- 1-800-662-HELP
- 1-800-662-9832 (Espanol)
- 1-800-228-0427 (TTY)

OR, visit the following website:

<http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/TreatmentLocator>